

**CITY OF ABERDEEN
POSITION CLASSIFICATION**

PARKS MAINTENANCE WORKER I

Salary Range: 13
Union Status: AFSCME
FLSA Status: Non-Exempt
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DEFINITION: The Parks Maintenance Worker I performs buildings, grounds, gardening and maintenance duties to care for parks and recreation grounds, facilities and equipment.

REPORTS TO: Parks Maintenance Supervisor.

SUPERVISES: May occasionally oversee part-time, seasonal, volunteers/volunteer groups and/or community service workers on assigned jobs.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS:

Positions in this classification primarily work independently following established methods, practices and procedures. Duties involve manual work requiring some skill in equipment operations and facilities maintenance.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:

Prepares soils for lawns, flower beds and shrubs; plants trees, shrubs and flower beds; prunes and maintains plantings. Seeds and cares for lawns: waters, mows, trims, edges, aerates, fertilizes and sprays for insects and weeds; lifts and replants sod.

Repairs and constructs playground equipment, buildings, restrooms and sheds.

Records and verifies maintenance records for materials, supplies and equipment.

Cleans restrooms and parks facilities, picks up litter throughout the parks system and assures grounds and facilities are clean and safe.

Maintains and installs drainage, plumbing and irrigation systems with the park grounds.

Occasionally records and verifies time sheets for part-time, seasonal and community service workers.

Performs routine inspections of park grounds and facilities to update inspection records and recommend needed work.

Works with independent contractors in the construction of park grounds or facilities.

Provides information and assistance to the public by telephone or in the field when inquiries are made regarding specific park maintenance activities or projects.

OTHER JOB FUNCTIONS:

Performs other related duties as required.

WORK ENVIRONMENT/EQUIPMENT USED:

Work is performed primarily outdoors and employee must be able to work in adverse weather conditions including rain, snow, heat and cold. Employee must be able to talk and hear and to reach with hands and arms and is frequently required to stand, walk and use hands to handle, feel or operate objects, tools or controls; employee is occasionally required to sit, climb or balance, stoop, kneel, crouch or crawl. Lifting and/or moving up to 50 pounds is required frequently and up to 100 pounds is required occasionally. Specific vision abilities required include close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception and the ability to adjust focus. While performing the duties of this job, the employee regularly works near moving mechanical parts and in outside weather conditions. The employee is frequently exposed to wet and/or humid conditions, fumes or airborne particles, toxic or caustic chemicals and vibration. The employee is occasionally exposed to risk of electrical shock. Noise level is usually moderate to loud.

Equipment used includes: motorized and hand-operated equipment and tools to mow, trim, edge, chemically spray and aerate grounds - including mowers, pruners, weed eaters, edgers, shovels, picks, axes, backpack blowers and sprayers, hoes, grubbers, hand saws, planting tools, chain saws, electric motors, pumps, sprinklers, irrigation systems, other miscellaneous tools for turf maintenance, carpentry, painting, plumbing, electrical and cement finishing work. Employee also operates tractors, pick-ups, small to mid-size dump trucks, ditchwitches and other rented or borrowed construction and maintenance equipment. Telephones and mobile radios are also used.

DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS:

Knowledge of: Turf and garden care; parks and building maintenance methods.

Ability to: Perform basic carpentry, plumbing and mechanical repairs; operate park maintenance equipment, vehicles, hand and power tools; organize small projects and complete on time; communicate effectively with supervisor, co-workers and the public; lead small crews in basic duties; perform heavy physical labor.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

Experience, education, or training which provides the level of knowledge, skill and ability equivalent to: One year of turf or building maintenance experience.

LICENSES, CERTIFICATES AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS:

Valid WA State Driver's License and good driving record.

Flagging & First Aid Cards.